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SUBJ: INVESTMENT PROMOTION - DARIUSH BANK

- 1. REPRESENTATIVES OF AMERICAN MOTORS AND CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS BANK OF CHICAGO REACHING FINAL STAGES NEGOTIATION WITH JAAFAR AKHAVAN, PAHLAVI FOUNDATION, AND OTHERS ON ESTABLISHMENT DARIUSH BANK. CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS REPLACES MORGAN GUARANTY WHICH DROPPED OUT SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. MORGAN GUARANTY HAD OBTAINED PERMISSION FROM FEDERAL RESERVE TO PROCEED WITH OVERSEAS INVESTMENT. CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS HAS APPLIED FOR AUTHORIZATION BUT HAS NOT RECEIVED IT YET.
- 2. BARCLAYS BANK OF LONDON, UNDER SPONSORSHIP AND STRONG SUPPORT OF INDUSTRIAL MINING & DEVELOPMENT BANK (IMDBI), REPORTEDLY PUSHING VERY HARD TO EDGE OUT CONTINENTAL; AKHAVAN GETTING IMPATENT AND INTIMATING HE MIGHT ACCEPT BARCLAYS AS PARTNER.
- 3. SINCE PROJECT REPRESENTS INTERESTING AND LUCRATIVE INVESTMENT FOR US BANK, WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ACTION DEPT CAN TAKE TO EXPEDITE FEDERAL RESERVE APPROVAL. HELMS

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